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Sir:

A Petition and Fee for a three-month Extension of Time through and including April 2, 2005, accompanies this Amendment.

A Notice of Appeal was filed in the above-referenced patent application on November 2, 2004. In response to the final rejection dated May 3, 2004 and the Advisory Action of October 15, 2004 in the subject application, Applicants respectfully submit the following response. Please amend the subject application as follows: